

New Cars Test Mileage in Gruelling Death Valley Run!



AVERAGE 24.5 MILES PER GALLON... In the first mileage test conducted since the war, seven makes of new cars recently fought over the steep, tortuous mountain route from Los Angeles to Death Valley, via Towne's Pass. The cars, shown above at the end of the 300 mile run, were all strictly stock. None of the drivers had been over the route before.

The tests, sponsored by The Hancock Oil Company of California, were supervised by Austin E. Elmore, famed automotive test engineer, shown at right checking gasoline consumption at the finish point.



New Veterans Housing Order On Soil Pipe

Veterans' Housing Program Order 3, which prohibits the use of cast iron soil pipe more than five feet beyond the building line of a new structure, will make enough of this pipe available in Southern California to equip more than 25,000 new homes by the end of 1947, Louis M. Dreves, regional director here of the Civilian Production Administration construction division, estimated.

In the nation, said Dreves, the order will make available enough of this pipe to equip more than 225,000 new homes.

Active cooperation of builders in complying with the order, said Mr. Dreves, should save between 2,000 and 3,000 tons this year in Southern California, and 6,000 to 9,000 tons in 1947.

Dreves explained the order makes possible the building of three homes for every two that could be built without the order.



PAPER ROUTE—Col. C. S. Irvine, commander of the Pausan Dreamboat, holds the roll of special editions of the "Honolulu Advertiser" that he flew over the top of the world for King Farouk of Egypt. The 9,500-mile flight is the longest nonstop newspaper delivery on record.

Assessed Value Of L.A. County Up 27.8 Percent

Assessed value of taxable property in Los Angeles county increased 27.8 per cent during the war years, amounting to \$3,299,574,610 for the present year, compared with \$2,581,841,644 for 1941-42, California's Taxpayers' Association said today, making public its study of valuations in California counties.

Assessed value of taxable property throughout California increased 23.8 per cent during the war years, this year's valuation amounting to \$9,100,823,858, compared with \$7,350,926,865 for 1941-42.

Biggest percentages increase in valuation was in Solano county, up 54.6 percent, to \$68,155,640 this year from the \$44,089,876 value for 1941-42. Other large relative increases in counties were 45.3 per cent for Contra Costa, 43.9 per cent for Ventura, 42.3 per cent for San Diego, 41.1 percent for Riverside, 34.4 per cent for Nevada, 35.4 for Santa Clara, 35.9 for Shasta, 35.5 for Stanislaus, 31.5 for Fresno, 34.2 for Lake, and 32 per cent for Napa.

Other counties which show increases above the state average are: Los Angeles, 27.8; Mono, 27.5; Orange, 27.3; Sacramento, 26.6; San Bernardino, 26.6; and Tulare, 27.2.

State Business And Agriculture Outlook Bright

The outlook for prosperity for California business and agriculture and for California workers continues bright today despite the general pessimism creeping over the nation. Lieutenant Governor-elect Goodwin Knight told the monthly dinner meeting of the Independent Bankers Association of Southern California, of which the Torrance National Bank is a member. The dinner, held in Los Angeles, was attended by more than 100 community bankers throughout Southern California with combined resources of approximately \$1,170,000,000.

"However," Judge Knight continued, "it is the responsibility of every citizen, banker, business man and worker to aid in translating this prosperous outlook into reality. The result of the election Nov. 5 is no cause for jubilation, either from the successful candidates or their supporters. It is rather a time for dedication to the hard work ahead so that the mandate of the people might be converted into a positive program that will promote the welfare and well being of all the people of California."

NATION'S SECOND CITY

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SHORT MISSION

Perhaps the shortest bombing mission in history occurred during the invasion of Peleliu, when United States Marine pilots flew 1,400 yards from the end of the runway on the recently captured airfield to Bloody Nose Ridge to drop napalm fire bombs in support of Marine infantrymen.

The bombs were made into silage, and almost any forage crop can be ensiled in weather unsuitable for hay.

SALVATION ARMY

The founder of the Salvation Army was William Booth, a native of Nottingham, England. As the leader he was a self-styled general, who with his wife, Catherine Mumford Booth, gave impetus to international evangelic groups. Mrs. Booth developed the distinctive uniform and the "Hallelujah" bonnet worn by all women of the organization.

MORE DEATHS

In 1945 there were more accidental deaths of workers in agriculture than in any other industry. However, there were more deaths of farm residents from home accidents than from any other type of accident. Off the farm, there were more deaths of farm residents in motor vehicles than from all other types of accidents.

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